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### **TOMORROW'S FORECAST**

- \* The House will reconvene for its 17th Legislative Day on Saturday, February 10, at 10:00 AM.
- \* 4 bills are expected to be debated on the floor.



### GEORGIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# DAILY REPORT

Friday, February 09, 2007

16th Legislative Day

# **TODAY ON THE FLOOR**

### **RULES CALENDAR**

### HB 53 - Piedmont Circuit; terms of court; change provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 53 seeks to change various provisions for the Piedmont Circuit, which consists of Banks, Barrow, and Jackson Counties. This bill makes the terms of court for all counties in the circuit the first Monday in February and August. The bill further states that the grand jury shall not be required to be impaneled in the first day of each term.

- Authored By: Rep. Terry England of the 108th

- House Committee: Judiciary

- Rule: Open

- Amendments(s): N/A- Yeas: 157; Nays: 0

### HB 101 - Public records; agricultural or food systems information; provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: This bill adds two new paragraphs, 10.2 and 10.3, at the end of subsection(a) of 50-18-72. This code section relates to certain public records kept by the Georgia Department of Agriculture (The Department) that are not subject to disclosure. Paragraph 10.2 exempts certain agricultural or food system records, data or information that is considered by The Department to be a part of the critical infrastructure, which has the same meaning as 42 U.S.C. Section 5195c(e). Paragraphs 10.3 exempts certain records, data or information collected by the Department for the purposes of a national animal identification system, which is a voluntary program to identify animals and track them as they come into contact with animals other than herd mates from their premises of origin.

- Authored By: Rep. Penny Houston of the 170th

- House Committee: Agriculture & Consumer Affairs

Rule: StructuredAmendments(s): N/AYeas: 143; Nays: 12

### HR 56 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; raising full pool for Lake Lanier; urge to study

- BILL SUMMARY: This resolution urges the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the United States Congress to begin a study of the costs and effects of adding to the storage capacities of all Corps reservoirs in the State of Georgia.
- Authored By: Rep. John Heard of the 104th
- House Committee: Natural Resources & Environment

- Rule: Open

- Amendments(s): N/A - Yeas: 153; Nays: 0

#### POSTPONED LEGISLATION

#### HB 76 - Emergency management; nomenclature and symbols; require permission; provisions

- Authored By: Rep. Burke Day of the 163rd
- House Committee: Public Safety and Homeland Security
- This bill was has been postponed from the Rules Calendar until the next legislative day.

\* The House will reconvene Saturday, February 10, at 10:00 AM, for its 17th Legislative Day of the 1st Regular Session of the 149th General Assembly.

# **COMMITTEE ON RULES**

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 17th Legislative Day, Saturday, February 10, and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker.

### RULES CALENDAR FOR NEXT LEGISLATIVE DAY

### HB 51 - Sheriffs' duties; security plans; change frequency

- BILL SUMMARY: The new language would change "less" to "at least once" in the last line of OCGA 15-16-10(a)(10) to require sheriffs to conduct a formal review of the courthouse security plan at least once every four years.
- Authored By: Rep. Mike Jacobs of the 80th
- House Committee: Judiciary Non-Civil
- Rule: Open

### HB 213 - Deferred compensation plans; state employees; special pay plan; repeal

- BILL SUMMARY: House Bill 213 calls for the repeal of Code Section 45-18-37. Code Section 45-18-37 references to a special pay plan for retired State employees that would reduce federal tax on their retirement compensation.
- Authored By: Rep. Ben Bridges of the 10th
- House Committee: Code Revision
- Rule: Open

#### HB 220 - Georgia Criminal Justice Improvement Council; repeal Chapter 8

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 220 calls for the repeal of Chapter 8 located in Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. By abolishing Chapter 8 of Title 28, the Georgia Criminal Justice Improvement Council will cease to exist.
- Authored By: Rep. Burke Day of the 163rd
- House Committee: Code Revision
- Rule: Open

### HB 245 - Georgia State Prison warden; passenger motor vehicle; repeal certain provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 245 calls for the repeal of Code Section 35-1-2, which allows for particular provisions for the warden of Georgia State Prison, specifically a passenger motor vehicle paid for by the Department of Public Safety.
- Authored By: Rep. Terry Barnard of the 166th
- House Committee: Code Revision
- Rule: Open

\* The Rules Committee will next meet on Saturday, February 10, at 9:00 AM, to set the Rules Calendar for the 18th Legislative Day.

# **COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT**

### **Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight**

### HB 91 - Executive branch of government; certain reports; provide to General Assembly

- BILL SUMMARY: This legislation provides detail on state agency spending by requiring each agency to submit annual reports to the Senate and House Appropriations Committees and the House Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight Committee. The reports will include the following: a statement of tax revenues and operating revenues for each agency for the previous fiscal year; a statement of total expenditures made by the agency during the previous fiscal year; a list of all written contracts during the previous fiscal year for greater than \$50,000; a list of employment or consultant contracts if compensation is greater than \$20,000; a list of names of each person, firm, or corporation that has received greater than \$20,000 in the previous fiscal year; and a list of consultant expenses and other professional expenses.
- Authored By: Rep. Jill Chambers of the 81st
- Committee Action: Do Pass by Committee Substitute

\* Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office, and are then placed on the General Calendar.



# **COMMITTEE BROADCAST SCHEDULE**

Saturday, February 10, 2007

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

House Rules Committee Mtg.

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\* This schedule is accurate at the time of this report, but meeting dates and times are subject to change. To view the most up to date meeting schedule, please visit <a href="http://www.legis.ga.gov">http://www.legis.ga.gov</a> and click on Meetings Notices. To view the live streaming video of the meeting, please visit the Georgia Legislative Network website.

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